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11. Econoff delivered reftel information on planed U.S. participation and pledging to MFA Afghan desk officer Marit van Zomeren on 25 January. Van Zomeren appreciated receiving the information.

 $\underline{\P}2$ . In a subsequent phone call, South Asia office director Wilfred Mohr confirmed Development Minister Agnes van Ardenne will announce at the conference a pledge of 100 million euros (USD 120 million) over three years (2006-2008). Foreign Minister Ben Bot will represent the GONL for the conference's political discussions.

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